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## **City Sets Parking Permit Structure for 2005**

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(January 4, 2005- TROY)- Mayor Harry J Tutunjian finalized parking permit fees on Tuesday. Responding to comments from the public, Tutunjian has lowered the price of the Front Street Parking Lot to \$60 per month. The new rate effective January 3<sup>rd</sup> was to be \$70.

"I understand the hesitation of some in dealing with the new parking rates, but it is important that the City be in line with other areas in terms of parking," Tutunjian said. "We have lowered the rent at the Front Street lot in an effort to bring it in line with the rest of the lots and garages in the city."

Tutunjian said many of the complaints he received during the comment period concerned the Uncle Sam Parking Garage, which is not owned by the City of Troy. If people are concerned about the conditions in that garage, Tutunjian said the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Garage is another viable option.

"It is a brand new, covered garage that is within walking distance of most places downtown," Tutunjian said. "This month we have already had our highest sell rate for that garage, and we expect it to increase."

The following are the final parking rates for the downtown business district for 2005:

-- City Hall Lot	\$60.00
-- Fourth Street Lot	\$60.00
-- Congress Street	\$60.00
-- Green Island Bridge Lot	\$60.00
-- Y Lot	\$60.00
-- Front Street Lot	\$60.00
-- State Street Garage	\$50.00
-- Broadway Parking Garage	\$50.00
-- Daily Parking Passes	\$8.00/day
-- Permit Replacement Fee	\$20.00

Parking permits can be purchased during regular business hours at the Comptroller's Office in City Hall.